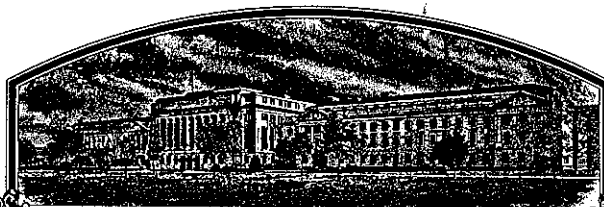


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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Northrup King Co.

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

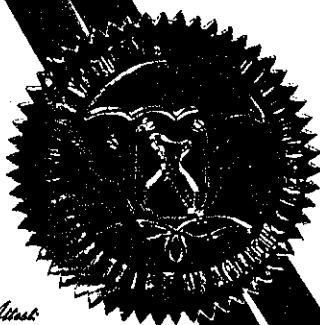
Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF *eighteen* YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

SOYBEAN

'S69-54'



Attest:

Kenneth H. ...
Commissioner
Plant Variety Protection Office
Agricultural Marketing Service

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington this 22nd day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-five.

John R. Block
Secretary of Agriculture

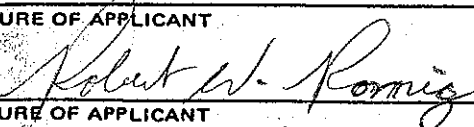
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
LIVESTOCK, MEAT, GRAIN & SEED DIVISION

FORM APPROVED: OMB NO.0581-0055

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE

(Instructions on reverse)

No certificate for plant variety protection may be issued unless a completed application form has been received (5 U.S.C. 553).

1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) Northrup King Co.		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION M780780		3. VARIETY NAME IS 69-54 ¹ S69-54 ¹ P/S 12/26/84	
4. ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code) P. O. Box 959 Minneapolis, MN 55440		5. PHONE (Include area code) 612-781-5305		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 8400064	
6. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME Glycine max		7. FAMILY NAME (Botanical) Leguminosae		FILING DATE 3-9-84 TIME 2:30 <input type="checkbox"/> A.M. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P.M.	
8. KIND NAME Soybean		9. DATE OF DETERMINATION March 1982		FEE RECEIVED AMOUNT FOR FILING \$ 1,800 DATE 3-9-84 AMOUNT FOR CERTIFICATE \$ 200.00 DATE 2/11/85	
10. IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON," GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (Corporation, partnership, association, etc.) Corporation					
11. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION Delaware				12. DATE OF INCORPORATION 1896	
13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE(S), IF ANY, TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION AND RECEIVE ALL PAPERS Robert W. Romig Northrup King Co. P. O. Box 959 Minneapolis, MN 55440					
14. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED					
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A, Origin and Breeding History of the Variety (See Section 52 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.)		c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit C, Objective Description of the Variety (Request form from Plant Variety Protection Office.)			
b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit B, Novelty Statement		d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D, Additional Description of the Variety			
15. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If "Yes," answer items 16 and 17 below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
16. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY THAT THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		17. IF "YES" TO ITEM 16, WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDER SEED? <input type="checkbox"/> Foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Registered <input type="checkbox"/> Certified			
18. DID THE APPLICANT(S) FILE FOR PROTECTION OF THE VARIETY IN THE U.S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If "Yes," give names of countries and dates) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
19. HAVE RIGHTS BEEN GRANTED IN THE U.S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (If "Yes," give names of countries and dates) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No					
20. The applicant(s) declare(s) that a viable sample of basic seeds of this variety will be furnished with the application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable. The undersigned applicant(s) is (are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced novel plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 41, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act. Applicant(s) is (are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.					
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT 				DATE 3/6/84	
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT				DATE 1	

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EXHIBIT A

Origin and Breeding History of 'S-69-54' Soybean

'S69-54' R/S

S 69-54 was developed from the cross 'Ransom' x 'Pickett 71' using a pedigree breeding procedure through the F₄ generation. It was tested for yield, maturity, and agronomic characteristics from 1975 through 1979. Laboratory tests show it is to be resistant to Races 1-3, 6-9 of Phytophthora root rot. Field tests indicated that it was tolerant to Race 3 of cyst nematode; however greenhouse screening in 1979 showed it to be heterogeneous for Race 3 cyst nematode resistance.

In 1980, we grew progeny rows of S 69-54 from individual plants harvested in 1979. We harvested each row separately and tested a sample of each for resistance to Race 3 cyst nematode. These tests were conducted by Dr. Lawrence Young, USDA plant pathologist, at Jackson, TN. Fourteen uniformly resistant lines were bulked and planted to produce breeder seed of S 69-54 in 1981.

We produced Foundation Seed of S 69-54 in 1982. The production fields were inspected by the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association and found to meet the requirements for Foundation Seed.

S 69-54 is stable and uniform. Varietal purity will be maintained by progeny rows as necessary.

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EXHIBIT B

Novelty Statement for 'S-69-54' Soybean

'S69-54' RJS

S 69-54 is most similar to Centennial and McNair 770. It differs from Centennial in pubescence color; S 69-54 has grey pubescence, Centennial has tawny pubescence. It differs from McNair 770 in reaction to hypocotyl inoculation with Race 3 of Phytophthora megasperma; S 69-54 is resistant; McNair 770 is susceptible.

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 BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20705

EXHIBIT C
 (Soybean)

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY
 SOYBEAN (*Glycine max* L.)

NAME OF APPLICANT(S) Northrup King Co.	TEMPORARY DESIGNATION M780780	VARIETY NAME S69-54
ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code) P. O. Box 959 Minneapolis, MN 55440		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER 8400064

Choose the appropriate response which characterizes the variety in the features described below. When the number of significant digits in your answer is fewer than the number of boxes provided, place a zero in the first box when number is 9 or less (e.g.,).

1. SEED SHAPE:



1 = Spherical (L/W, L/T, and T/W ratios = < 1.2)
 3 = Elongate (L/T ratio > 1.2 ; T/W = < 1.2)

2 = Spherical Flattened (L/W ratio > 1.2 ; L/T ratio = < 1.2)
 4 = Elongate Flattened (L/T ratio > 1.2 ; T/W > 1.2)

2. SEED COAT COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Yellow

2 = Green

3 = Brown

4 = Black

5 = Other (Specify) _____

3. SEED COAT LUSTER: (Mature Hand Shelled Seed)

1 = Dull ('Corsoy 79'; 'Braxton')

2 = Shiny ('Nebsoy'; 'Gasoy 17')

4. SEED SIZE: (Mature Seed)

Grams per 100 seeds

5. HILUM COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Buff

2 = Yellow

3 = Brown

4 = Gray

5 = Imperfect Black

6 = Black

7 = Other (Specify) _____

6. COTYLEDON COLOR: (Mature Seed)

1 = Yellow

2 = Green

7. SEED PROTEIN PEROXIDASE ACTIVITY:

1 = Low

2 = High

8. SEED PROTEIN ELECTROPHORETIC BAND:

1 = Type A (SP1^a)2 = Type B (SP1^b)

9. HYPOCOTYL COLOR:

1 = Green only ('Evans'; 'Davis')

2 = Green with bronze band below cotyledons ('Woodworth'; 'Tracy')

3 = Light Purple below cotyledons ('Beeson'; 'Pickett 71')

4 = Dark Purple extending to unifoliate leaves ('Hodgson'; 'Coker Hampton 266A')

10. LEAFLET SHAPE:

1 = Lanceolate

2 = Oval

3 = Ovate

4 = Other (Specify) _____

11. LEAFLET SIZE:

☐ 21 = Small ('Amsoy 71'; 'A5312')
3 = Large ('Crawford'; 'Tracy')

2 = Medium ('Corsoy 79'; 'Gasoy 17')

12. LEAF COLOR:

☐ 31 = Light Green ('Weber'; 'York')
3 = Dark Green ('Gnome'; 'Tracy')

2 = Medium Green ('Corsoy 79'; 'Braxton')

13. FLOWER COLOR:

☐ 2

1 = White

2 = Purple

3 = White with purple throat

14. POD COLOR:

☐ 1

1 = Tan

2 = Brown

3 = Black

15. PLANT PUBESCENCE COLOR:

☐ 1

1 = Gray

2 = Brown (Tawny)

16. PLANT TYPES:

☐ 21 = Slender ('Essex'; 'Amsoy 71')
3 = Bushy ('Gnome'; 'Govan')

2 = Intermediate ('Amcor'; 'Braxton')

17. PLANT HABIT:

☐ 1

1 = Determinate ('Gnome'; 'Braxton')

2 = Semi-Determinate ('Will')

3 = Indeterminate ('Nebsoy'; 'Improved Pelican')

18. MATURITY GROUP:

☐ 0 ☐ 9

1 = 000

2 = 00

3 = 0

4 = I

5 = II

6 = III

7 = IV

8 = V

9 = VI

10 = VII

11 = VIII

12 = IX

13 = X

19. DISEASE REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

BACTERIAL DISEASES:

☐ 1Bacterial Pustule (*Xanthomonas phaseoli* var. *sojensis*)☐Bacterial Blight (*Pseudomonas glycinea*)☐Wildfire (*Pseudomonas tabaci*)

FUNGAL DISEASES:

☐Brown Spot (*Septoria glycines*)Frogeye Leaf Spot (*Cercospora sojae*)☐

Race 1

☐

Race 2

☐

Race 3

☐

Race 4

☐

Race 5

☐

Other (Specify)

☐Target Spot (*Corynespora cassicola*)☐Downy Mildew (*Peronospora trifoliorum* var. *manshurica*)☐Powdery Mildew (*Microspheera diffusa*)☐Brown Stem Rot (*Cephalosporium gregatum*)☐Stem Canker (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var. *caulivora*)

19. DISEASE REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant) (Continued)

FUNGAL DISEASES: (Continued)

☐ Pod and Stem Blight (*Diaporthe phaseolorum* var; *sojae*)
☒ 1 Purple Seed Stain (*Cercospora kikuchii*)
☒ 1 Rhizoctonia Root Rot (*Rhizoctonia solani*)
 Phytophthora Rot (*Phytophthora megasperma* var. *sojae*)
☒ 2 Race 1 ☒ 2 Race 2 ☒ 2 Race 3 ☒ 1 Race 4 ☒ 1 Race 5 ☒ 2 Race 6 ☒ 2 Race 7
☒ 2 Race 8 ☒ 2 Race 9 ☐ Other (Specify) _____

VIRAL DISEASES:

☐ Bud Blight (Tobacco Ringspot Virus)
☐ Yellow Mosaic (Bean Yellow Mosaic Virus)
☐ Cowpea Mosaic (Cowpea Chlorotic Virus)
☐ Pod Mottle (Bean Pod Mottle Virus)
☐ Seed Mottle (Soybean Mosaic Virus)

NEMATODE DISEASES:

Soybean Cyst Nematode (*Heterodera glycines*)
☒ 0 Race 1 ☒ 0 Race 2 ☒ 2 Race 3 ☒ 1 Race 4 ☐ Other (Specify) _____
☐ Lance Nematode (*Hoplolaimus Colombus*)
☐ Southern Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne incognita*)
☐ Northern Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne Hapla*)
☐ Peanut Root Knot Nematode (*Meloidogyne arenaria*)
☐ Reniform Nematode (*Rotylenchulus reniformis*)
☐ OTHER DISEASE NOT ON FORM (Specify): _____

20. PHYSIOLOGICAL RESPONSES: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

☒ 0 Iron Chlorosis on Calcareous Soil
☐ Other (Specify) _____

21. INSECT REACTION: (Enter 0 = Not Tested; 1 = Susceptible; 2 = Resistant)

☒ 1 Mexican Bean Beetle (*Epilachna varivestis*)
☐ Potato Leaf Hopper (*Empoasca fabae*)
☐ Other (Specify) _____

22. INDICATE WHICH VARIETY MOST CLOSELY RESEMBLES THAT SUBMITTED.

CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY	CHARACTER	NAME OF VARIETY
Plant Shape	McNair 770	Seed Coat Luster	McNair 770
Leaf Shape	Centennial	Seed Size	Centennial
Leaf Color	McNair 770	Seed Shape	Bragg
Leaf Size	McNair 700	Seedling Pigmentation	Essex

23. GIVE DATA FOR SUBMITTED AND SIMILAR STANDARD VARIETY: Paired Comparison Data

VARIETY	NO. OF DAYS MATURITY	PLANT LODGING SCORE	CM PLANT HEIGHT	LEAFLET SIZE		SEED CONTENT		SEED SIZE G/100 SEEDS	NO. SEEDS/POD
				CM Width	CM Length	% Protein	% Oil		
Submitted	154	1.8	84	5.5	12.0	37.5	21.5	11.5	2-3
Centennial Name of Similar Variety	154	1.7	94	5.7	11.5	38.8	21.0	11.3	2-3

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EXHIBIT D

Additional Description of 'S 69-54' Soybean

'S 69-54' rjs

S 69-54 is a late Group VI variety maturing about the same as Centennial. It has grey pubescence, tan pods, purple flowers, dark green leaves, and seeds with imperfect black hila. It is shorter statured than Centennial and most other varieties of similar maturity.